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MINING NOTES.

South Eureka.—A. Nace, who has had large experience with the mines of this county, and also in Nevada, has taken the foremanship of the South Eureka, and entered upon his duties last Friday. He has recently been negotiating for the bonding of the Bellweather in Jackson, but as definite arrangements cannot be made in regard to that property for some time, he has accepted the position of foreman of the South Eureka. It is understood that they have a good body of pay ore, and in this respect the mine is in better shape than at any previous period in its history.

John R. Tregloan was over from Amador City Saturday on business at the county seat. He is having some necessary repair work done at the South Spring Hill mine. It is uncertain how long it will take to complete.

At present there is no immediate prospect of the resumption of mining at this once famous property. All who are in a position to judge say this mine is one of the likeliest in Amador county to respond liberally to further development work. It is comparatively a virgin mine, and has yielded millions, and no reason whatever to believe otherwise than that it would rival its palmiest days if further prospected.

"A NOBLE OUTCAST."

This four-act drama was presented in Love's hall on Saturday evening last by the local dramatic troupe of Molokume Hill. The members of this company are C. F. Burce, E. E. Burce, T. J. Tynan, H. Main, Maud Ham, Meta Hutchinson and Nettie Burce. The performance gave satisfaction to every one present, every performer being thoroughly conversant with his role, and showing considerable ability in the dramatic art. The audience in Jackson was not as large as was expected, but this was accounted for by the fact that the same piece, under different names, had been staged here by local amateurs two or three times before. A dance was given after the performance, which was well attended, the music being furnished by the Peerless orchestra, an adjunct of the dramatic troupe. The same company presented the same play in Lone and Sutter Creek previous to coming to this town, and were greeted with good houses in each instance.

Change of Postage Rates
To Great Britain.

A notice has been posted in Jackson post office announcing that on and after October 1st the postage rates on letters addressed to any portion of Great Britain and Ireland will be two cents per ounce, the same as the domestic postage rates. Heretofore the rates have been five cents per half ounce. The reduction applies to no other foreign country except Great Britain.

Returned From Italy.

William Tam arrived home from his trip to his native land, Italy, on Monday evening, after an absence of over three months. He enjoyed the trip thoroughly, and seems heartier and more robust physically than when he left. Nothing occurred to mar the pleasure of the visit, except the untimely death of Mrs Poggi, one of the members of the party from this town. Louis Poggi, the husband of the deceased, is still in Italy, detained there in order to settle affairs.

Mrs Rettagliati, of Amador City, who also went with the party, is likewise in the old country. They will probably be detained there until after Christmas.

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STOCKTON VS. JACKSON.

A Lively Baseball Tussle.

Last Sunday afternoon the baseball team of the Jackson social and athletic club played a game on the local grounds with the merchant team from Stockton. The outside team was composed of young men of the Slough City, who were engaged in mercantile business as employees. However, the match awakened keen interest, and the largest gathering that has been seen on the ball grounds for the season witnessed the game. The gate receipts amounted to over \$100. The game itself was well contested but Jackson came out ahead at the close of the ninth innings with a score of 8 to 7.

The visiting team traveled from Stockton by the automobile route, and met with several detentions on the way. There were twelve in the delegation. About ten miles out the auto broke down, necessitating sending back to Stockton for another machine. There were other lesser mishaps on the road, so that they reached here fully an hour after time. However, the game was through by five o'clock, and soon thereafter the autos with their live freight started on the return trip. The local team of course had to pay the traveling expenses of the visitors, amounting to \$60.

Filling Up the Creek Bed.

The filling up of the creek bed of the south fork, at its junction with the middle fork, is causing a good deal of annoyance and trouble. The attention of the grand jury was called to the matter when that body was in session last week, and they brought the matter to the notice of the city authorities. The creek bed is rapidly filling up with the sand from the Zeila mill. The fall between the mill and the junction of the two creeks is so slight, and the tailings so heavily charged with silt that the heavy material is dropped along the channel. This filling up process has reached such a pass at the junction of the middle fork, that it forms a sort of dam causing the water of the latter stream to back up. There is not enough clear water used to carry away the debris. The shortage of the rainfall last season, and the total absence of anything like a freshet, has accentuated the trouble. An effort is being made to relieve the situation by cutting a ditch in the creek bed, but this is merely a make shift. No water can be had from the Standard Electric Company in sufficient quantity to clear the channel of the accumulated debris. No one is blamable in the matter, and the hope of salvation rests with nature in providing a good flood next winter to sweep the tailing down the stream.

A Serious Accident.

David Russ met with a serious accident last Sunday afternoon at the old Amador Queen mill in Huut's gulch. With several others the victim was loading one of the heavy mortar blocks onto the wagon of Louis Piccardo preparatory to its being hauled to the Zeila mine. The mortar block is a massive piece of wood, estimated to weigh in the neighborhood of two tons. They were loading it on the wagon by means of skids. In some manner the skid tipped on the side on which Russ was working, and it fell, striking him a glancing blow on the right leg, breaking the leg between the knee and the hip, also dislocating the hip joint. He was pinned to the ground by the block, until his fellow workers were able to pry up the massive block, and release him. He was removed to the county hospital, where his injuries were attended to by the county physician, Dr. Endicott. The complication of the dislocated hip was quite a problem and in order to get it in place a block and tackle had to be called into requisition. The patient was doing as well as could be expected at last reports. It will take several months, under the most favorable circumstances, before he will be able to do any work. The victim is about 40 years of age, and a half brother of James Forshey.

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HISTORY OF A GREAT MINE.

The disposition to decry and abuse the foreign, non-English speaking population of Amador is heavily overdone. Our Sutter Creek contemporary seems to be dead-set against the Austrian element, "cattle" as he terms them, who never "patronize a tailor or a white man's store." Such denunciation is worse than useless—it is harmful. No doubt it would be preferable to have all English speaking people at work in our mines. But we haven't, and cannot hope to have for many years to come. For some reason, known to employers, this class is the most available for certain manual labor in the mines. It is a condition, and not a theory that faces it. Abuse will not mend it, but tend rather to create class hatred. The Austrian residents, we are informed by Mr Kilgore, the United States immigration agent now in Jackson for the express purpose of gathering statistics relative to this element, possesses all the essential requisites for good citizens. It is not true that they do not patronize tailors. In Jackson they are among the best patrons of the tailor, and probably the same will hold good with regard to Sutter Creek.

That they are clannish, associating exclusively with those of their own race, may be true. But what else can they do? What would an American do in Paris or Pekin. Would he run after the natives, unable to speak or understand a word of their language? Naturally, he would seek the American colony, and keep as close thereto as the Austrian element here do to themselves. It is a case of necessity with them. And in a great measure, the fact that they trade with their own class is explainable in the same way. They go where they can understand what is said, and make themselves understood.

What is needed is some effort to educate this class in the rudiments of the English language. If a night school were established, where they could be given instructions in the English language sufficiently to enable them to become naturalized citizens, they would assimilate with Americans just as quickly as any other foreign element. Not a single effort is being made in this direction, and it offers the only real cure for the evils. If the same amount of time and energy expended in unmerited abuse, were spent in trying to instruct them, we would soon see a different state of affairs, and there would be little ground left for the charge of non-assimilation.

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fissures within the Keystone property are depleted of all payable ore, no one who knows the property believes, nor would any one familiar with the Mother Lode of California be willing to stake very much that such is the case. The price at which the option has been taken seems ridiculously small as compared with the famous record of the great old mine, or when considering its immense possibilities.

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Independent Candidate for Supervisor in Township No. Two.

On Tuesday last J. Q. Horton filed papers with the county clerk petitioning for a place on the regular ballot as an independent candidate for supervisor in township two. There were fourteen names of voters who had taken no part in the nomination of any other candidate for that office appended to the petition, enough to secure a place on the ticket. The new candidate has always trained with the democrats heretofore. He was mentioned as a probable contestant for the nomination before the democratic convention. Realizing the hopelessness of his aspirations in this direction, he did not allow his name to be presented, and thereby held himself in line to run independently. He is one of the oldest settlers of the Jackson valley section.

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THE TAX RATE.

The statement by the state authorities that a low tax rate for state purposes is usually followed by a higher rate for county purposes, is applicable to Amador this year. The reduction of 4½ cents for the state fund has been added to local funds, so that there is no real reduction in the amount the taxpayers will be called upon to contribute for the maintenance of the governmental machinery, the total tax rate being \$2 on the \$100, the same as last year. There is a falling off, however, of nearly \$7000 in the total revenue derived from the property tax, on account of the shrinkage of the assessment roll, as will be seen from the following figures taken from the official records:

1907—Total assessment as returned by county board of equalization	\$5,714,713
Railroad assessment	176,080
Total value of all property	\$5,890,793
1908—Assessment as per county board of equalization	85,377,904
Railroad assessment	171,539
Total value of all property	\$5,549,443
Decrease of assessable property for 1908 as compared with 1907	\$341,350
At \$2 on the \$100 the amount raised each year, assuming that the full amount is collectable, would stand as follows:	
1907, total revenue from property tax	\$117,815
1908, " " "	110,988
Reduced amount for 1908	\$6827
Reduction in state tax	4016

Net loss for county purposes as compared with 1907 \$2811

We have taken no account of the exemption of the city of Jackson from road and bridge taxes, as that cuts no figure for the purposes of this article, the amount being represented by the city tax instead of the county tax.

For purposes of comparison we present the following figures showing the tax levies for the various funds for the past two years:

	1907	1908
State fund	44.5	40
Current Expense	60.5	65
Hospital fund	10	17
Road fund	33	33
School fund	33	33
Bridge fund	19	12
Total	\$2.00	\$2.00

These rates would yield a revenue for the different funds as follows:

	1907	1908
State tax	26,213	22,197
Current Expense	35,638	36,082
Hospital fund	5,890	9,434
Road fund	19,439	18,313
School fund	19,439	18,313
Bridge fund	11,192	6,659

From this it appears that the only local funds for which increased expenditures have been provided for the current year are the current expense fund and the hospital fund, the first named to the extent of \$444, and the latter to the tune of \$3544. One excuse for this boosting of current expense fund is that costly criminal trials are pending. It must not be thought the above-named sum represents the sum total swallowed up in the current expenses of Amador county. Not by a long way. The moneys raised from sale of county licenses, from the fees collected by the several county officials and other items of income, all go into the capacious maw of this fund. It is safe to say that the total receipts of this fund alone will approximate if not exceed \$50,000 per year—about one thousand dollars per week for the payment of official salaries and the incidental expenses. This is an average of nearly ten cents per week per capita of the entire population of the county for this one fund, leaving out of the calculation roads, schools, and the support of indigents. Truly we are going some. The costs of local government have been piling up at an alarming rate of late years, without any corresponding increase in the earning capacity of the taxpayers. Such a condition cannot continue indefinitely. That the people are getting tired of this one-sided business is manifest from the manner in which they rebel at any proposition, however worthy in itself, that involves any increase of taxation.

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It is agreed, he says, that all living organisms began their first existence in salt water and that as a result the human body (and indeed every animal body) is largely made up of salt. If you taste your blood or your tears, which are the extract of blood, you will find that both are quite salt in flavor. More than this, however, every living being possesses within his body, in the cellular stage, all those strange marine organisms which we study so curiously in museums. And, seeing, says Gerosa, that the amount of sea water contained in every body is equal to one-third of that body's weight, it is clear that in the infinitesimal rudimentary form all known marine life must be present in the blood. The result is that when we bathe in the sea or breathe the sea air we replace the amount of essential salt which is constantly decreasing in the system and, all unconsciously to ourselves, weakening it. Salt water, says Gerosa, is really the main principle of life, since it is the first condition of existence which the living organisms knew. It is therefore always good for the body, whether it be enjoyed at the seaside or brought in bottles from the sea. In particular is it very valuable in the case of weakling children, and there is no bodily stimulant so invigorating to the very young as sea water.

THE VOODOO IN HAITI.

Human Sacrifices to the God of the Serpent.

There is ample proof that human beings have been offered as sacrifices to the god of the serpent in Haiti. A French archbishop of the island describes a visit made by one of the priests to a voodoo assembly. The man had disguised himself as a negro, and he was thus able to mingle undetected with the crowd in the obscurity outside the sacred circle. After the white cock and white goat had been slain and offered up and their blood had been sprinkled on the company a burly young negro came forward and prostrated himself before the priest. Then, still kneeling, he made his prayer:

"O mamman, I have a favor to ask of thee."

"What is it, my son?" said the negress encouragingly.

"Will thou not give us to complete the sacrifice, the goat without horns?"

The priestess gave a sign of assent. The crowd roundabout separated, and there was revealed a child sitting with its feet bound. The French priest rushed away in search of assistance in preventing the unholy rite, but the authorities on whom he called were strangely slothful. When finally, on the day following, they arrived at the place of assembly, they found the gory remains of a sacrifice and a feast, among them the boiled skull of the child.—Marvin Dana in Metropolitan Magazine.

When Men Hurry.

"Singular," said a man waiting for a train on an elevated railroad platform and looking down a street to where a hundred men and boys had gathered around two wagons that had come together in collision, "there are a hundred men standing around those two wagons, just standing there, gawping, apparently with nothing else to do and not in a bit of a hurry, but let any one of those men come up the stairs to this platform when there is a train coming in and he'd rush and hurry and tear himself apart to catch that train and get gum if he missed it, though he knew very well that there'd be another train here in a minute. Let him miss a train by a second and he thinks the world is coming to an end; let him see somebody hoisting a safe up the outside of a building and he will stop and waste half an hour."

"How do you account for that?"—New York Sun.

Mme. de Struve's Wit.

Secretary Blaine had said of Mme. de Struve that she was the brightest woman he had ever met, and everybody who knew her agreed with this verdict. Her knowledge of English was remarkable, even for a Russian, and her sallies were famous. For instance, the day when Secretary Bayard was made head of the American diplomatic service his daughter, Miss Kate Bayard, said laughingly to a young secretary of legation, "Remember, I am now daughter of your chief!" to which came, quick as a flash, the retort from Mme. de Struve's lips, "Oh, we all know that you are misschief!"—Army and Navy Life.

His Terms Varied.

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A Sure Thing.

She—Did father say anything about you being too young? He—Well, yes; but he said I'd age pretty rapidly after we were married and I found I had to pay your bills.—Illustrated Bits.

A happiness that is quite undisputed becomes tiresome; we must have ups and downs.—Mollere.

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OF...

Amador County

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Descriptive Article

Amador county comprises an area of 548 square miles. It lies on the western slope of Sierra Nevada mountains, and embraces within its territory all the diversity of valley, foothill, and high mountainous lands.

Climate.—The climate of the populous portions of the county is as genial and healthful as can be found anywhere in California. As climate is one of the most valuable assets of this favored state in attracting population, Amador stands second to no county in this regard. It should, and no doubt will in time, when its climatic advantages are more thoroughly understood and appreciated, become a health resort not only for those in less favored states, but for the residents of other parts of California. The temperature along the central portion rarely falls below 30 degrees above zero in winter, and as rarely rises to 100 degrees in the summer. Snow seldom falls in the settled districts, and never remains on the ground for more than a few hours. Of course, in the high mountain regions of eastern Amador the snowfall is very heavy—which is characteristic of the entire Sierra Nevada range. The summer season is always accompanied with cool nights; permitting of sound, refreshing slumber. Fogs are rare, cyclones are unknown, thunderstorms are infrequent.

Gold Mining.—The county, although rich in other sources of wealth, comparatively untouched, is noted principally for her quartz mines. The deepest gold mines in America are located here. The Kennedy mine is now taking gold in liberal quantities from quartz extracted from a depth of over 6000 feet below the surface, with every indication that the pay-ore extends to much greater depth. Since the discovery of gold, the county has contributed fully \$100,000,000 to the world's supply of the precious metal. The mines are still yielding at the rate of about two million dollars annually. Nearly all of this wealth is produced by eight or ten mines operating on what is called the "mother lode," stretching clear across the county in a north-easterly direction a distance of twenty miles. The mines aggregate between 400 and 500 stamps, and furnish employment for over 1000 miners. This industry is still in its infancy. The unexplored territory, even along the main gold belt, is far in excess of the ground that has actually been worked or prospected. The county offers today one of the most inviting fields to be found anywhere in the world for the investment of capital in the fascinating business of gold mining, not alone along the mother lode, but also in the almost untouched mineralized country of the east belt, some ten or twelve miles from the main lode.

Besides gold, we have copper, deposits of pottery, coal, marble, slate, limestone, granite, and soapstone or slate—all undeveloped.

Agricultural Capabilities.—The agricultural possibilities equal, if not exceed, the mineral riches. The valley lands will produce anything that can be grown in the most favored sections. In the foothill lands all kinds of deciduous fruits thrive: also all kinds of vegetable are raised where irrigation is practicable along the numerous water courses. Further up in the mountains, at an altitude of 2000 to 2500 feet, the soil is admirably adapted for apples and potatoes. A ready market for these commodities can be found in the various mining towns.

Grape culture and winemaking are becoming important industries, both the grapes and wine commanding a better price than the product of the various mining towns.

Land is cheap compared with other California lands. Improved farms may be secured for one-fourth the price current in some places. Unimproved lands can be had from \$5 to \$10 per acre. It does not require a fortune to buy a small ranch. There is room for large addition to our agricultural population. Vast tracts now devoted to cattle ranges might be made the homes of hundreds of prosperous farmers.

Amador has a population of less than 2000. Three fourths of this is concentrated in a strip of three miles above and below the mineral belt.

Jackson, the county seat, has about 500 inhabitants, and is an incorporated city of the sixth class. Other towns are Sutter Creek, Amador City, Drytown, Plymouth, Volcano, Pine Grove and Oleta. Lone City is the metropolis of the valley section, a thriving town of 1000 inhabitants.

The community is law-abiding. Educational facilities are excellent. A schoolhouse is within easy reach of nearly every family. There is one high school, located at Lone.

The assessment roll for 1907 is \$5,000,793, and the tax rate for both state and county purposes \$2 on the \$100.

The Southern Pacific has a branch railroad running to Lone. From this point the Lone and Eastern railroad extends 14 miles further to the mining section.

The various religious denominations and fraternal organizations are well represented.

The power plant of the Standard Electric Co—one of the largest in the world—is located four miles from Jackson.

FORWARD OR BACKWARD.

NOTICE TO VOTERS.

The real question involved in the political campaign to-day is essentially whether the people desire a party in power which does things to enhance the credit of the nation and develop its economic resources, or whether it desires a party which only harps and cavils at things done. An opposition party has its uses, and in many cases it is fortunate that there should be a seesaw in the possession of power. The past twelve years, however, have been years of remarkable events in this country. They have opened the door to an expansion of influence and power abroad such as has not come to the United States for several generations. At home also they have witnessed the creation and carrying out of a great body of constructive policies by President Roosevelt, which Mr Taft is pledged to continue.

To dismiss the republican party at the present time from the seat of authority would be to turn the hand backward upon the clock of national progress. The election of Mr Bryan, with the continuance of a great republican majority in the senate, would mean a deadlock between the white house and congress, a persistent playing of politics at Washington, and a complete arrest of all the broad reforms and progressive steps which have been accomplished or inaugurated during the past twelve years. Even president Cleveland, sturdy democrat as he was, recognized the fact that the acquisition of the Philippines was a fact accomplished and that even in the Hawaiian Islands, which were abandoned by his authority, the duty was now imposed upon the United States of carrying out with a firm hand the task which they had undertaken. The resolute policies which Mr Hay and Mr Root inaugurated in the state department—the maintenance of the open door in the Orient and the extension of our relations with Latin America—would be put in hazard by a change of administration. Only by a curious chance did the democratic national convention endorse a strong navy, which is an essential factor of republican policy, but is not a natural part of the program of Mr Bryan. Even in the regulation of the railways and the assurance of equal justice to all shippers and all citizens, the orderly and energetic policy adopted by the present administration and the interstate commerce commission would be jarred and confused if put in new hands, more zealous perhaps than competent.

A change in the national administration might be matter of indifference on some grounds but for two important "its." The first of these is that the republican party during the past twelve years had merely marked time without accomplishing or inaugurating any important reforms; but the work which president Roosevelt has done should be carried on by men who are now in the harness and who have been partners in framing his policies. The second is the important one. If Mr Bryan were "safe and sane," but his efforts to establish such a reputation by promising to keep within the limits of his platform and to respect existing law are hardly a sufficient guarantee against his kicking over the traces and doing something reckless and injurious to the country before its effects could be fully realized.

The trouble about Mr Bryan's assurance that he will be bound by republican legislation as he finds it is that much of this legislation is discretionary. No law can direct the president or secretary of the treasury at just what moment they should intervene to avoid a panic or to save the nation from some great financial disaster. No law can compel Mr Bryan to issue circulation under the recent emergency currency law if he thinks it unwise. Indeed, in a thousand emergencies liable to confront the nation, not only financial but political and international, it is highly important that a man trained by public service and with a mind tempered by knowledge and respect for law should sit in the executive chair of McKinley and Roosevelt.

For Chronic Diarrhoea.

"While in the army in 1863, I was taken with chronic diarrhoea," says George M. Felton of South Gibson, Pa. "I have since tried many remedies but without any permanent relief, until Mr A. W. Miles, of this place, persuaded me to try Chamberlain's colic, cholera and diarrhoea remedy, one bottle of which stopped it at once." For sale by Jackson Drug Store Spagnoli, Prop.

Name the Party in Power on the Different Date Given Below.

In Ottumwa the following prices were paid for farm products on the dates given under Democracy and the present republican year:

	Wheat	Corn	Oats
July 29, 1893	.40	.35	.22
July 30, 1894	.40	.45	.26
July 29, 1895	.45	.45	.20
July 29, 1896	.35	.18	.15
July 29, 1897	.80	.75	.40
<i>— Ottumwa (Iowa) "Courier."</i>			

Pioneer flour is the best; have no other.

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the State of California that the following Acts will be submitted to the people of the State of California for their ratification at the next general election to be held on the third day of November, A. D. 1908, to wit:

Senate Bill No. 461.

Passed the Senate February 22, A. D. 1907. Lewis Hildorn, Secretary of the Senate.

Passed the Assembly March 6, A. D. 1907. Clio Lloyd, Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

This Bill was received by the Governor, this 6th day of March, A. D. 1907, at 10 o'clock a.m. E. C. Cooper, Private Secretary of the Governor.

CHAPTER 43. An Act to provide for the issuance and sale of state bonds to create a fund for the construction by the board of state harbor commissioners of wharves, piers, seawall, state railroad, spurs and appurtenances in the city and county of San Francisco; at a cost not to exceed two million dollars; and for making appropriations for the payment of said bonds; and for providing for the submission of this act to a vote of the people.

SECTION 1. For the purpose of providing a fund for the payment of the indebtedness hereby authorized to be incurred by the board of state harbor commissioners for the erection of wharves, piers, seawall, state railroad, spurs and appurtenances in the city and county of San Francisco; at a cost not to exceed two million dollars; and for making appropriations for the payment of said bonds; and for providing for the submission of this act to a vote of the people.

SECTION 2. The state treasurer shall forthwith be paid into the San Francisco harbor improvement fund, at the time of the issuance of said bonds, the amount of \$100,000.

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FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS

Correspondents Wanted

We want regular correspondent in Amador, Drytown, Plymouth and Volcano. We will send a daily paper free, also stationery supplies and stamps to any one who will act as correspondent in each of the above places. Let us hear from you. We want the news.

OLETA.

Sept. 29—Mrs C. M. Cooper was hostess, assisted by Mrs F. C. Ginn, at a luncheon last Saturday afternoon, complimentary to Miss Wilbur and Miss Armstead. The table was profusely decorated with roses and ferns. An elaborate luncheon was served at 4:30 p.m. The guests of the afternoon were Mrs F. A. Tyler, Mrs Joseph Pigeon, Miss Mazie Knapp, Miss Louisa Pigeon and Miss Elsie Hill.

H. W. Neff's family have returned from their outing at Camp Defiance.

Mrs Amy French, who has been a visitor at the home of her sister, Miss Geo. Schroeder, for the past two weeks, returned to her home in Sacramento last evening.

The school is progressing favorably under the supervision of Miss N. Armstead of Stockton.

Miss Myrtle McClary returned to Sacramento last week, where she hopes to find employment. Her health is much improved after her serious illness.

Mrs F. A. Tyler made a flying trip to Sacramento last week. During her stay she was the guest of her old-time friend, Mrs Phoebe Ott. She reports a most enjoyable time.

Fred Martin of Sutter Creek, visited Oleta last week, the first time in thirty-five years.

C. M. Beishaw, grand president of the N. S. G. W., paid Oleta a visit last Sunday, accompanied by our assessor, C. E. Jarvis. Observer.

Sept. 30—Quite a number from Oleta attended the dance in Plymouth Saturday evening; also the bronco riding Sunday.

R. Simas of Visalia, is up on a visit to relatives and friends in and around Oleta.

John Gray of Oleta, is still confined to his bed. He is a man of many years and hard for him to gain so as to be able to be about again.

We hear that Mrs Grant Schroeder of Lodi, is here visiting her mother-in-law.

Mrs Amy Bell is up on a visit from Oakland to relatives here.

Mrs Beatrice Van Valkenburg, of Los Angeles, is here on a visit to her uncle, Claud Wilson, and wife.

Paul Germolis has gone to Sacramento for a few days on business.

Miss Katie Schroeder is slowly on the improve.

Dave Hutchinson made a flying trip below with his lady friend, leaving Friday evening and returning Sunday.

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JACKSON VALLEY.

Oct. 1.—The Jackson Valley school is now running under the able management of Miss Beattie of Stockton.

Lester Miner has gone to Lockeford, where he expects to learn bartending.

Mr and Mrs Shetbourn have returned to their home in Jackson valley, after spending a couple of months with their daughter, Mrs Bamert, of Julian district.

Mrs G. Hop of lone, spent a few days of last week with friends in the valley.

Mrs A. H. Kershaw of San Francisco, is visiting with her father and mother, Mr and Mrs Shelbourn.

A. C. Miner was in Clements last week on business.

Kidd Bros. are now busy harvesting their corn crop.

Mr and Mrs A. Bonham spent Monday with their daughter, Mrs O. Buhler, at Elliot.

E. Vandament of Jackson, spent a few days of last week with Mr and Mrs E. Diebold, and is now visiting friends and relatives in Clements and Lodi before returning home.

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Pear's Express.

Ring up Sam Pear for prompt delivery of trunks, baggage and express packages. Rates reasonable. Leave orders with P. L. Cassinelli, phone Main 35; and Express office, Main 34; residence Black 374.

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Oct. 1—J. D. Perkins, who has been in Pacific Grove attending the conference for couple of weeks, returned home last night, and reports having had a delightful time.

The N. S. G. W. initiated twenty-three new members into their midst last Saturday night. Three of their grand officers were present, and they made merry until the wee hours of the morning.

Mr Seguin and wife returned home Tuesday night from a couple of months' delightfully spent at the Grove.

Geo. Woolsey has had a cement sidewalk placed around his place, which adds greatly to the appearance.

Fayette Knapp, who is employed at the Preston School of Industry, made a flying visit to his home in Oleta last week.

An excursion is to run from here to Stockton tomorrow, to give the people the chance of seeing the "Wild West Show." Quite a number anticipate going.

Miss Ruby Shearor visited relatives in Oleta last Saturday and Sunday.

Two boys escaped from the Preston school Tuesday night, and no trace has been found of them since.

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GOMPERS' MAN FOR TAFT.

Evidence is plentiful that the effect of Gompers' attempt to influence labor for Bryan is not very productive of results. When the time comes to vote union labor men will be found exercising independence of action.

Those that are employed will vote to have that employment continued, and those that are out of employment will vote for the man most likely to give it to him. Is there any one who sincerely believes that the chances for the return of good times would be as good if Bryan is elected as they would be under Taft?

A fresh illustration in point occurred at the noonday meeting in New York of the commercial travelers' republican association. John W. Armstrong, an organizer for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, who was sent to Maine by President Gompers to make speeches for the democratic state ticket, came out for Taft and Sherman. In his speech he said:

"The men whom I have met and conversed with in the American federation of labor are, as a rule, of the opinion that it would be unwise to support Mr Bryan. The election of Mr Taft means the resumption of business upon safe and sound lines.

I have an abiding faith in the intelligence and loyalty of the workingmen to vote for Taft and the party and principles that made it possible for our workingmen to occupy the eminent position he does, as compared with the position occupied by the unfortunate brother in the democratic south, where the democratic party has opposed the enactment of factory laws, child labor laws and the organization of workingmen."

Hurt by a Fall.

B. F. Taylor, boss at the Zeila mill, met with a severe fall on Tuesday last. He was working at the old mill of the Amador Queen in Hunt's gulch, taking down some of the machinery and woodwork for shipment to the Zeila. In some manner he fell a distance of about ten feet striking on the back of his neck. He was conveyed home as soon as possible, and Dr. Gall was called to attend him. One vertebra is broken, but it is believed no serious results will follow. The next day he was able to sit up in bed. He is quite badly jarred, and may require a month or two before being able to get to work again.

The doctor says while the prominent bone back of the neck was fractured, it did not involve an injury to the spinal column. The patient is not suffering from paralysis, which would be the case if the spine were involved. A complete recovery is looked for.

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makes you an easy victim for organic diseases.

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purifies the blood—cures the cause—

builds you up.

Bill of Exception Filed.

The draft of the bill of exception in the case of Agostino Borello, convicted of arson in the second degree, was received by the clerk of the superior court on September 30. It is a voluminous document, consisting of 260 typewritten pages. A. H. Cohen and James H. Creely are the attorneys for defendant. It will be some time before the papers can reach the appellate court, as the bill of exception is subject to amendment by the prosecution counsel and settlement by the court.

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TEMPERATURE AND RAINFALL

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Date.	Temp. L.H.	Rainfall	Date.	Temp. L.H.
Sep. 1, 1908	54 100	...	Sep. 17,	51 82
2.	56 101	...	18.	45 81
3.	56 100	...	19.	44 82
4.	58 98	...	20.	44 78
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LOCAL NEWS

J. F. Wilson. Dentist. Hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Phone—Office, black 444; residence, Black 394; Jackson.

Sheriff Gregory went to San Francisco Saturday armed with the bench warrants for the arrest of Jackson Dennis on the three indictments found against him by the grand jury. He returned with the defendant Sunday evening. The latter was already prepared with bonds, and the sureties were on Monday morning accepted by the court, and the prisoner released pending trial.

George Dornan returned from the city Sunday evening, after purchasing a full stock of furnishing goods for the new store he is about to open in the premises formerly occupied by E. W. Kelley. The store has been fitted up with shelving on both sides, and the goods are now arriving and being put in place.

There were three autos on the streets Sunday, two from Stockton, that brought up the baseball players from that city, and the other belonging to Mr Chase, who has been visiting at Caminetti's.

Buy the best sewing machines made, for sale cheap. Z. T. Justus, Weil Bldg. Jackson.

Mr and Mrs T. J. Dwyer of Ione, Nev., arrived Friday of last week on a visit to Mrs Dwyer's parents, Mr and Mrs Steve Angove. Mr Dwyer is engaged in Wells Fargo's express office in the big Nevada mining camp. They expect to return in a few days.

Judge Rust left Tuesday morning for Auburn, Placer county, to preside in the superior court of that county in a matter concerning the estate of A. Weber.

Mrs Fontenrose was a passenger on Tuesday's stage, en route to San Francisco.

W. J. Nettle, foreman of the Argonaut mine, was taken with a severe attack of rheumatism on Tuesday morning while at the mine that he had to be taken home, and has not been able to resume his duties at last accounts.

The Misses Garbarini returned Wednesday after a pleasant visit to the bay cities.

Mrs Lemoin returned home Wednesday, after a week's visit in San Francisco and other places.

M. L. Smith Notary Public and Stenographer, Court St., Jackson, Telephone Black 413.

Rev. T. H. Nicholas returned from conference at Pacific Grove on Saturday last.

The board of supervisors will meet Monday next, when all necessary arrangements will be made for the election; polling places established and officers of election appointed.

W. H. Burns, an old time resident of Amador City, died in that town yesterday. He was for many years engineer at the Bunker Hill mine. Owing to failing health he had to quit about a year ago, and had been steadily failing since. The remains we understand will be taken to El Dorado for interment, the funeral to take place tomorrow or Sunday.

Regulates the bowels, promotes easy natural movements, cures constipation—Doan's Regulets. Ask your druggist for them. 25 cents a box.

San Francisco offers great opportunities. Prepare for them by taking a course in the San Francisco Business College, 733 Fillmore St., S. F.

L. C. White, of the Jackson furniture store, was seized with a stroke of paralysis on Tuesday morning, affecting the right side. It was not a severe stroke, although interfering materially with his locomotion and also with his speech. He is able to attend to the store, and is improving.

The moving picture firm of Keith and Richards have hired the portion of the Webb building recently used for the same line of business, and will open for business tomorrow, Saturday. Mr Keith, with an assistant, will personally attend to this end of the line, his partner running the Angels branch. He is thoroughly conversant with this business, has a first class outfit, and deals with the best film houses on the coast. Don't fail to attend the opening night, and witness what can be done in moving pictures in the hands of an expert.

Mrs M. A. Tregloan, cook at the county hospital, who has been on a vacation for the past month, visiting in San Francisco, returned Wednesday evening.

George Murphy has disposed of his livery business in Stockton, which he has been conducting for more than a year, and will return to this county probably next week.

C. H. Shields and Adam Huberty have been negotiating with the view of buying the National hotel. So far the arrangements have not been completed, and the matter is yet in doubt.

Jos. Welsh, a veterinary surgeon of San Francisco, is visiting the Murphys at Butte City. His health has not been the best, and he is here partly on that account.

Dan Murphy started Wednesday morning for the mountains, to assist in bringing down the cattle from their summer pasture.

Mrs Harrington, accompanied by her daughter, went to San Francisco Saturday for a brief visit, and to consult a surgeon, as the child has been under the doctor's care for some time concerning an ailment of the limb.

Mrs Josephine Harvey left on Friday of last week for Oakland, on a visit with relatives in that city.

John Ratto, the proprietor of the nickelodeon in Love's hall, went to Placerville Thursday of last week, with a moving picture outfit, expecting to start in business in that line in that city. He had previously negotiated for a place. When he reached there he found another man had preempted the town in that line, and had rushed things so that he was about ready to open up. Ratto concluded that the circumstances did not justify his starting, so he at once returned, getting back here Sunday evening.

W. F. Englebright is expected to be in Jackson October 24. Word to that effect has been received by the republican chairman of the county central committee.

E. S. Pitois has finished his dwelling house on the Volcano road near James Meehan's residence, and moved therein last Wednesday.

A Swiss Italian, commonly known as Charley, while digging trench on Summit street early this week, struck his foot with the pick, inflicting a painful flesh wound, necessitating the services of a doctor.

A letter from Geo. C. Sargent to county recorder says that "there was an error in regard to the payment of the item of \$40,000 which the agreement stated was to be paid on Oct. 10, 1909. This should have been 1908." The letter itself has been placed on record.

ASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

Baby won't suffer five minutes with croup if you apply Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil at once. It acts like magic.

City Trustees.

The regular monthly meeting was held Thursday, October 1; all members present.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Monthly reports of treasurer, marshal, sexton, recorder and clerk were read and approved.

The following demands for the month of September were read and referred to the auditing committee, and by them approved and ordered paid:

Pacific Gas & E Co., water	\$ 30 00
S Meyer, overall	75
E Giocchio & Bro., supplies	8 60
F M Whitmore, lumber	2 20
C Goodal, labor	14 37
Amador Ledger, printing	5 25
H Poll, labor	25 00
R Rugne, brd. of prisoners	2 00
U S Gregory, brd. of prisoners	17 50
W G Thompson, recorder's fees	6 00
Amador E L & R Co., lights	103 00
F D Garbarini, labor	4 50
H A Clark, team hire	10 62
V Giovannoni & Co., supplies	20 70
C Richtmyer, water	16 53
Taylor & Podesta, sprinkling	165 00
Mrs C Marelia, office rent	6 00
Joe Vigna, watering trees	6 00

The clerk was ordered to draw the following salary warrants for Sept.:

Geo Huberty	\$75 00
R C Bole	25 00
J S Garbarini	10 00
E S Pitois	50 00
C M Kelley	10 00

Petition of Emiel Artimi to conduct saloon at the Mascot saloon read and on motion laid over until next meeting, Garbarini voting no.

Trustee Kirkwood reported that some person or persons are breaking down trees on Church street and should be punished if caught.

On motion a reward of \$50 was offered for the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who have been breaking down said trees or mutilating the same.

On motion cemetery committee was authorized to procure posts for the cemetery fence to repair same.

Adjourned until Oct. 8.

Falling Off in Registered Votes.

With one or two small places to hear from, the total names on the great register this year foots up about 2300. It may reach 15 or 20 names over those figures. This is about 500 short of the voters enrolled two years ago—a tremendous shrinkage. Of course the county has not lost either in population or qualified voters anything like that number.

The shortage is attributed to two things. First, the falling off in naturalization. This year not more than 20 or 30 aliens have been naturalized, whereas formerly it was customary between two and three hundred to get on the register preceding a national election. The aliens are here in as great force as ever, but most of them are unable to meet the requirements of being able to read and write the English language.

The other militating fact is apathy of voters. There has been no organized effort to arouse interest in registration. The registration closes before the campaign gets fairly started, so that the local candidates have little opportunity to get around among their supporters to see that they are on the register.

Fremont Boarding House Burned.

The boarding house of the Fremont Mining Company, between Amador City and Drytown, was totally destroyed by fire on Wednesday morning at 1 o'clock. The boarding house was kept by S. Dalporta, formerly of the Kennedy boarding house. How the fire originated no one seems to know. At such an unusual hour, there was no fire in any part of the building.

Dalporta and his family lived at the boarding house, which was a separate building, distant fifty feet or more from the sleeping house. The fire was confined to the boarding house, which was a total loss, with nearly all its contents of furniture.

It was a large frame building and the loss of the building and furniture is estimated at \$2000.

The company will proceed to replace the building at once; indeed steps have already been started in that direction. There was some insurance on the boarding house, but what amount we have not learned.

The New Emporium.

We call attention to the advertisement of the new Emporium in San Francisco, rebuilt from the ruins of the fire on a larger and grander scale than before. This vast department store, where everything can be obtained under the same roof, opened for business October 1st. Don't fail to go there when in the city. It is the most magnificent store on the Coast, if not in the United States. Notice the advertisement.

For Chapped Skin

Chapped skin whether on the hands or face may be cured in one night by applying Chamberlain's salve. It is also unequalled for sore nipples, burns and scalds. For sale by Jackson Drug Store, Spagnoli, Prop.

CASE OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH.

So the Coroner's Jury Found in the Case of Frank Bamert.

From Robert Fleming, who obtained his information direct from the parties who were present at the Bamert place in Alpine county when the tragedy occurred there last week resulting in the death of Frank Bamert, we are able to give the true account of the sad affair, the particulars being somewhat different from those given in these columns last week. The report that the deceased had trouble with the forest ranger is without foundation. He was on the best of terms with that official. The other report that some misunderstanding existed with the Alpine authorities about the migratory tax is also unconfirmed, and probably equally groundless. His relatives do not know of his having had any trouble with any one. On the morning of the tragedy he seemed as hearty and cheerful as he ever was. No complaint about feeling sick was made by him. The shooting occurred shortly after one o'clock Monday, September 21st. The victim retired to his room about one o'clock, leaving in the room adjoining Mrs Ed. Bamert, her sister Miss Maggie Fleming and brother Harry Fleming. Ed. Bamert was in the pasture a short distance from the dwelling at the time. A pistol shot was heard by Harry Fleming, but no notice was taken of it, as the two brothers often engaged in target shooting for practice. After being absent half an hour or more, Edward Bamert, who had entered the dwelling in the meantime, went to his room, and was horrified to find his brother Frank dead, with blood still issuing from a pistol wound in his head, slightly above the right ear. The body was still warm, and the fatal weapon lay by the body. The course was almost straight inward, slightly upward. A piece of oily rag was near, by, gives ground for the belief that the victim was in the act of cleaning the pistol at the time. The almost straight course of the bullet is explained on the theory that when the accident occurred he was in the act of bending forward, and accidentally struck the pistol against the table, thereby discharging it with fatal consequences.

The coroner of Alpine county could not be reached. A coroner's inquest was held, however, an official from Reno being called to the scene for that purpose at the same time as the undertaker was summoned from the same city to embalm the remains.

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From Our Exchanges.

The Board of supervisors this week fixed the tax rate, for the 60th fiscal year, at \$2.10 on each \$100 of assessed valuation of property.—Citizen.

The state fish car will arrive in Valley Spring next Wednesday, the 23d inst with 60,000 fish to be planted in the Middle and North Forks of the Mokelumne river, near West Point. The fish will be hurried to the streams and planted by Dave Porteous, Arthur Wilson, Waldo Hanscom, Claude Smith and Mark Cook.—Citizen.

Mokelumne Hill is free of that dread disease diphtheria, the quarantine having been declared off Monday last. Night and day guards were maintained for 18 days, during which time no one was allowed to enter or leave the house except the doctor who had the case in charge. Since it first broke out there has been four cases of the dread disease, one of which resulted in death.—Citizen.

At the little town of Newman last Monday was celebrated a pretty wedding at which one of the contracting parties was quite well known in town. Miss Irene Boone, who made lone her home for a few months and Alvin M. Driskell were married and will reside in Newman.—Echo.

Statistics of the employees in the executive civil service of the United States have just been published by the census bureau. Exclusive of the consular and diplomatic service there are 286,902 classified employees, of whom only 13,821 are women. In the District of Columbia three women are employed to every seven men; in the country at large, one woman to 25 men. At the national capital the average wage for men is \$1178, for women \$766.

The Sierra Daily Times has been sold by Grant & Zimdar to the Calkins Newspaper Syndicate of San Francisco. The Syndicate lost no time in treating the Times' erstwhile democratic white complexion to a heavy coat of ebony-hued republicanism. The paper came out Monday as a straight republican sheet, with A. Wyatt as editor, that gentleman superceding C. M. Jackson. The purchase price of the paper has not been made public. It was offered for sale a few months ago at a figure considerably less than \$5000 and it is not likely that the purchase price exceeded that amount.—Democrat.

The state fish commission this week sent a consignment of young trout to Calaveras county. The fish arrived at Valley Spring Wednesday afternoon and were then taken in charge by C. W. Getchell, proprietor of the Prospect and assessor Wm. M. Nuner, each having a team to convey the fish to their destination. The consignment comprised 60,000 young trout and the main portion was taken by Getchell and Nuner to West Point, where they were distributed to the waters adjacent to that place. A small portion were sent here consigned to Mat Zwinge and George Stewart for distribution in local streams.—Prospect.

Charles Gardiner of the government forest service has been engaged this week in gathering sugar pine seed, at the lumber camp above Avery. He has with him two men and two teams and the purpose is to gather two hundred pounds of pine nuts. This is a portion of the assignment of 1000 pounds to be furnished by the state to the department to be used in reforesting sections of the national reserve.—Prospect.

Women Who Wear Well.

It is astonishing how great a change a few years of married life often make in the appearance and disposition of many women. The freshness, the charm, the brilliance vanish like the bloom from a peach which is rudely handled. The matron is only a dim shadow, a faint echo of the charming maiden. There are two reasons for this change, ignorance and neglect. Few young women appreciate the shock to the system through the change which comes with marriage and motherhood. Many neglect to deal with the unpleasant pelvic drains and weaknesses which too often come with marriage and motherhood, not understanding that this secret drain is robbing the cheek of its freshness and the form of its fairness.

As surely as the general health suffers when there is derangement of the health of the delicate womanly organs, so surely when these organs are established in health the face and skin at once witness to the fact in renewed comeliness. Nearly a million women have found health and happiness in the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It makes weak women strong and sick women well. Ingredients on label—contains no alcohol or harmful habit-forming drugs. Made wholly of those native, American, medicinal roots most highly recommended by leading medical authorities of all the several schools of practice for the cure of its peculiar ailments.

For nursing mothers, or for those broken-down in health by too frequent bearing of children, also for the expectant mothers, to prepare the system for the coming of baby and making its advent easy and almost painless, there is no medicine quite so good as "Favorite Prescription." It can do no harm in any condition of the system. It is a most potent invigorating tonic and strengthening nerve nicely adapted to woman's delicate system by a physician of large experience in the treatment of woman's peculiar ailments.

Dr. Pierce may be consulted by letter free of charge. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y.

SHORTCOMINGS OF SCIENCE.

What is what we call science? What is not scientific in nature? Where are the limits of positive study? Is the body of a bird really a more scientific thing than its lustrous-colored plumage and its song? Is the skeleton of a pretty woman more worthy of admiration than her structure of flesh and her living form? Is not the analysis of the mind's emotion scientific? Is it not scientific to try to find out whether the mind can see to a distance and in what manner? And then, how much reason is there in this strange vanity? That we imagine that science has told us all that we know, all there is to know, that our five senses are sufficient to approve the nature of the universe?

From what we can make out among the forces acting about us—attraction heat, light, electricity—does it all follow that there may not be other forces which escape us, because we have no sense to perceive them?

It is not this hypothesis which is absurd; it is the simplicity of pedants. We smile at the ideas of the astronomers, philosophers, and theologians of three centuries ago. Three centuries from now will not our successors laugh in turn at the affirmation of those who pretend to know everything now?

The distance from Paris to London is great for a man who can only walk, and was even insurmountable before boats were invented; it is nothing to electricity. The distance from the earth to the moon is great with our present ways of locomotion; it is nothing to attraction—in fact, from an absolute point of view, the space which separates us from Sirius is not a greater part of infinity than the distance from Paris to Versailles, or from your left eye to your right.

The space which seems to exist between the earth and the moon, or between the earth and Mars, or even between the earth and Sirius, is only an illusion, though to the insufficiency of our perceptions the moon acts constantly upon the earth and moves it perpetually; the attraction of Mars for our planet is equally great, and we in our turn disturb Mars in its course in submitting to the influence of the moon. We act upon the sun itself and make it move as if we touched it.

By virtue of attraction the moon causes the earth to turn every month around the common center of gravity, a point which travels 1700 kilometers below the surface of the globe. The earth causes the sun to turn annually around its common center of gravity, situated 456 kilometers from the center of the sun. All the worlds act upon each other perpetually, so that there is no isolation, no real separate between them. Instead of being a void separating the worlds from one another, space is rather a connecting link.

Now, if attraction thus establishes a real perpetual, active and indisputable communication between the earth and its sisters immensity, as proved by the exactness of astronomical observance, I do not see by what right pretender positivists can declare that no communication can be possible between two beings, more or less distant from each other, either on the earth or in two different worlds.

Can not two brains that vibrate in unison at a distance of many kilometers be moved by the same psychic forces? Can not the emotion which starts from a brain reach a brain vibrating it, no matter what distance, just as sound crosses a room making the strings of a piano or violin vibrate?

I insist that it can and that also in this case it will be proved that the unknown of today is the truth of tomorrow.

A GOOD REASON.

Jackson People Can Tell You Why It Is So.

Doan's Kidney Pills cure the cause of disease, and that is why the cures are always lasting. This remedy strengthens and tones up the kidneys, helping them to drive out of the body the liquid poisons that cause backache, headache and distressing kidney and urinary complaints. Jackson people testify to permanent cures.

Mrs J. Cook, living on Broadway, Jackson, Cal., says: "I can vouch for the merits of Doan's Kidney Pills. I suffered from kidney trouble for a long time and nothing helped me until I procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at the City Pharmacy. I was in a run down condition, my back ached constantly, I had frequent dizzy spells, and my kidneys did not act properly. I started using Doan's Kidney Pills strictly as directed, they gave me relief from the first, I continued their use and was cured. My kidneys are now in a good condition and my back is well and strong. I am only too glad to endorse Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doans'—and take no other.

Receipt books, location blanks, deeds mortgages, promissory notes, etc. for sale; also mining signals on cloth, graduation diplomas, at the Ledger office.

M. F. Tarpey, Noted Democratic Leader, Declares For Taft.

(Fresno Republican.)

M. F. Tarpey, who for years has been one of the most prominent democrats in the state, is out for Taft for president.

"For forty years I've voted on sentiment; I'm going to vote for a few years on reason," was the epigrammatic declaration made by Mr Tarpey, yesterday, to a republican reporter, upon his return from San Francisco.

"It has come to this pass," continued the old war-horse of the democracy, "that our party has attracted all the cranks and all the 'isms' in the country to it. it has become an agglomeration of class interests and the people as a whole are lost sight of in the maze.

Theodore Roosevelt has made special privileges and business dishonesty something no longer thought cunning, and I consider that Mr Taft represents all the best in Roosevelt and his policies. Taft is an upright, thoughtful and thoroughly informed man who rises to the full height of a statesman, who makes his appeal to the whole people and who does not run around trying to annex every block of crank votes in the country. I feel that the country would be absolutely safe under him and that the present policy of the square deal would be rigidly and fearlessly carried out."

Mr Tarpey is particularly opposed to Bryan's latest panacea, his latest "paramount issue," the government guarantee of bank deposits. "I don't want every scalawag, confidence man and montefiore in the country," he said, "to be starting up mushroom banks, playing ducks and drakes with the people's money, and the rest of us paying for it."

Mr Tarpey also is convinced that the prosperity of California and particularly of this district, is largely wrapped up in the republican principle of protection. The raisin and dried fruit interests of this state would be in a sorry plight if the free-trade views of the democracy should become the policy of the national administration.

Since 1884 M. F. Tarpey had been democratic national committeeman from this state, and early in the year he was urged to accept another term, but seeing that Bryan's nomination was inevitable he declined. In 1886 Tarpey was a candidate for the nomination of governor before the democratic convention, but he was beaten by Washington Bartlett. He accepted second place on the ticket, but was defeated by 1700 votes by Waterman.

For many years Mr Tarpey has owned large vineyard interests in Fresno county, but until a few years ago made his home in Alameda. During his residence in Fresno county he has shown much public spirit. For one year he was president of the Raisin Growers' Association and is now president of the chamber of commerce.

The Tariff and the Farmer.

The farmer does not agree with candidate Bryan that the tariff is such a vicious affair, for it protects him from competition with cheaper outside products.

These are some of the duties which have been of great advantage to the farmer that Mr Bryan does not approve of:

Cattle, if less than one year old, \$2 per head; all other cattle if valued at more than \$14 per head, \$3.75 per head; if valued at more than \$14 per head, 27½ per cent ad valorem.

Swine, \$1.50 per head.

Horses valued at \$150 or less per head, \$30 per head; if valued at over \$150, 25 per cent ad valorem.

Sheep, one year old or over, \$1.50 per head; less than one year old, 7½ cents per head.

Now, he who raises live animals for sale—cattle, swine, horses or sheep for the market—is protected from the competition of our Canadian neighbors to the extent shown in these schedules.

When it comes to the produce this is what we find in the Dingley law as means of keeping the home market for our own farmers:

Corn, 15 cents per bushel of 50 pounds.

Oats, 15 cents per bushel.

Wheat, 25 cents per bushel.

Butter, 6 cents per pound.

Cheese, 6 cents per pound.

Fresh milk, 2 cents per gallon.

Beans, 45 cents per bushel of 60 pounds.

Cabbages, 3 cents each.

Eggs, 5 cents a dozen.

Hay, \$4 per ton.

Onions, 40 cents per bushel.

Potatoes, 25 cents per bushel of 60 pounds.

The American farmer is not fool enough to throw these duties off to help outside traffic.—Norwich (Conn.) "Bulletin."

Ledger and Chicago Weekly Inter-Ocean, both papers for one year \$2.50 in advance.

DIDN'T NEED IT.

Why a Scotch Farmer Refused a Portion of Dessert.

Could the funny sayings and incidents at the tenants' dinners in Scotland be collected they would make an unrivaled book of humor. Mistakes of amusing and sometimes embarrassing nature occur frequently at such functions. One story is told of a guest at a Scottish tenants' dinner who tasted ice cream for the first time on that occasion. He pushed a large spoonful of the frozen mixture into his mouth and jumped from his chair with agony expressed on his face. He let out a yell and cried out, "Ow, ow, ma rotten tooth!" and could not be induced to eat any more.

At another Scottish affair of the kind a good old farmer was seated next to the hostess. She served him a bit of savory omelet, which seemed to cause the old man deep disappointment. His idea of an omelet had always been a dessert with sugar or fruit or jam, and after tasting the sample before him he turned to the hostess and said, "Well, ma lady, I canna compliment you on your puddin's."

The late Duke of Buccleuch told a story of a tenant at one of the farmers' dinners on his estates who was asked by the duchess if he would take some rhubarb, a dish she was fond of. The farmer was surprised, but answered politely, "I'm muckle oblieged to your grace, but I dinna need it."

FINDINGS NOT KEEPINGS.

Lost Articles Are Always Crying Out For Their Owners.

When one is on the public thoroughfare or in the street car or train or boat and picks up an object that is valuable, is it his?

True, he may find something which is too small and trifling to warrant searching to find the owner, such as a handkerchief, a pair of gloves, etc. But when he finds something of value it is not his until he has done everything in his power to find the owner.

The street railways and trains are so systematized today that if, when one finds an object of value, he returns it to the company's representative it is almost sure to catch up with its owner. Every person of intelligence knows that the first place to inquire for it is at the lost and found department.

When, however, one is on the street and finds something which, if he lost it himself, he would very much like to have returned, there are the columns of a newspaper in which to advertise.

If he fails to find the owner after this, then he can rightfully call it his own and have a clear conscience, but if he avoids looking over the lost and found columns and fails to do his part toward finding the owner he is almost as dishonest as if he took the goods.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Serious For Once.

An army captain on returning home from India brought with him a goodly stock of souvenirs. Among them was a pair of laughing jackasses, which he intrusted to one of the sailors, Tom Pinch.

Alas! The unaccustomed shipboard life did not agree with the creatures, and in spite of all Tom's care they pined and finally died.

When he discovered the catastrophe, Tom was in despair.

"I daren't tell the captain!"

"Don't shirk it, mate," said his pal. "Break it to him gently. You'll find it'll be all right."

The advice seemed sound, and Tom sought the gallant captain.

"Scuse me, sir," he said, "you know them things below—what you call larlin' jackasses? Well, sir, they ain't got nuffin to larf at this morning."—London Scraps.

His Choice of Weapons.

M. Victor Noir, an illiterate bully of the time of the second empire, for no real reason whatever sent a French statesman a challenge to fight a duel.

Noir was a densely ignorant man, and nearly every word in the challenge was misspelled. The statesman responded with the following letter: "Dear Sir—You have called me out without any good reasons. I have therefore the choice of weapons. I choose the spelling book, and you are a dead man." The duel was never fought.

Counting It Up.

There is a son of Erin in Newton, Mass., who is quite a character. He has a number of children and was asked one day how long he had been married. "Well," he said, "there's Eugene is forty and Norah thirty-five, that makes sventy-five, and Lizzie is thirty-two, and how many do that make?"

The Wise One.

Thin Boarder—I don't see how you manage to fare so well at this boarding house. I have industriously courted the landlady and all her daughters, but I'm half starved. Fat Boarder—I courted the cook.—Kansas City Independent.

Arrangements Complete.

"Arrangements for the wedding are all complete."

"Everything attended to?"

"Yes; we have even made a deal with a photographer to have his camera smashed." — Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Cards Are Out.

"Isobel, do you think you could learn to love me?"

"Learn to love you? Oh, Reginald, I could give lessons in loving you."

St. Louis Republic.

Fortune brings in some boats that are not steered.—Shakespeare.

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SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY

Reported weekly for the Ledger.

Typewriting by Air Power.—Simplified Metal-Plating.—A Problem of Photography.—Wheat as a Perennial.—A New Piano.—Risk of Being Buried Alive.—Musical Sounds on a Screen.—How the North Pole Vibrates.

A novelty recently shown at the Berlin Exhibition of inventions was the compressed air typewriter, which is without springs and levers to wear out and break, and has 80 per cent less parts than the ordinary lever machine. The horizontal type-wheel, with letters sliding radially outward, rotates constantly around a vertical shaft. Below the type-wheel, and rotating with it, is a vane, which has a channel taking air from the source of supply and branching to the diaphragm chamber inside the type-wheel. In its rotation the vane passes around the inner periphery of a fixed ring which has openings connected by tubes to the keys. The air from the rotating vane normally passes through these openings and escapes from the keys, but when the finger covers the aperture in the key, the air is forced back into the tube, and the pressure produced as the vane passes the closed tube pushes out the diaphragm, pressing the letter opposite against the paper on the platen. Only a touch of the finger is necessary, the air doing the work, printing the character in the 1-120 of a second. While the type-wheel is operating as usual, an automatic duplicating attachment can be made to perforate a paper pattern, and as this is passed over the keyboard the perforations cause the machine to reproduce the writing, any number of successive copies being possible. An electric or water motor gives compressed air for a few cents a day.

The new method by which a Berlin company plates iron and other metals with lead, zinc, tin and their alloys seems to be remarkably simple and effective. After the object to be coated is thoroughly cleaned, the finely pulverized plating metal, mixed with a suitable liquid, is applied as a paint, which is dried and then fused by a gas-flame or in a furnace. A pound of the metal paint gives an even, rust-proof coating for nearly 100 feet of old or new surface.

Photography in the dark offers an interesting field for the inquisitive amateur. In the experiments of Dr. Russel, sensitive plates have been strongly impressed in total darkness when placed near or in contact with leaves, flowers, seeds, stems and tubers of many plants, the exposure varying from a few minutes to more than 18 hours, and action being quickened by heat up to 130 degrees F. Even leaves that had been dried between blotting paper for three years gave a faint impression. Sap is very active in affecting the plates, as is also the oil of nuts, especially on oxidation. Castor oil, however, is inactive even after months of exposure to air, and no effect is produced by some plant parts—such as the cotyledons of beans and the outer envelopes of some fruits—nor by such substances as starch cellulose, gum, sugar, pith and pollen. That the phenomena are not due to radioactivity has been proven by the fact that interposing a sheet of glass or mica prevents all action. The effects are ascribed by Dr. Russel to hydrogen peroxide—or dioxide—which many investigators have found to be one of the first products of plant growth, and generated by turpentine and other resins, and is so active that one part in a million parts of water affects a photographic plate in 24 hours in the dark.

By his new method of wheat farming, Gen. Levitsky, of the Russian army, claims to produce an enormous yield of grain and unusually stout straw, and believes that he has converted the plant into a perennial. He simply sows single grains at the bottom of conical pits 12 to 18 inches deep. The seed is barely covered with earth, and as the leaf appears above ground it is just covered, the operation being repeated five or six times, until the pit is full. In this way as many as 19,683 shoots have been obtained from one grain.

The piano is improved and its sound increased, according to the claim of J. Cadenbach, a German inventor, by the plan of letting wooden caps into the back of the sounding board.

In declaring that cases of premature burial are by no means so rare as is commonly supposed, Dr. J. Brindley James, a British physician, probably does not voice the belief or experience of medical men in general. Thirteen different tests to show whether death has really occurred are given by Dr. James, and he advises that, after these have

WHAT IS A DAY?

You Probably Think It Is Twenty-four Hours, but It Isn't.

Nine persons out of ten—yes, 999 out of every 1,000—if asked how long it takes the earth to turn once on its axis would answer twenty-four hours, and to the question, How many times does it turn on its axis in the course of the year? the answer would be 365½ times. Both answers are wrong.

It requires but twenty-three hours and fifty-six minutes for the earth to make one complete turn, and it makes 366½ turns during the year. The error springs from a wrong idea of what is meant by a day.

The day is not, as is commonly supposed, the time required by the earth to make one turn on its axis, but the interval between two successive passages of the sun across the meridian—that is to say, the time which elapses after the sun is seen exactly south in its diurnal course through the heavens before it is again seen in that position.

Now, in consequence of the earth's revolution in its orbit or path round the sun, the sun has the appearance of moving very slowly in the heavens in a direction from east to west. At noon tomorrow the sun will be short distance to the east of the point in the heavens at which it is seen at noon today, so that when the earth has made one complete turn it will still have to turn four minutes longer before the sun can again be seen exactly south.

THE ANCIENT SPARTANS.

They Flogged Men Who Grew Too Fat For Military Service.

Among the ancient Spartans everything was considered secondary to military efficiency, and with a view to securing this the boys and men were by law kept in a continual state of "training." No deformed child was allowed to live. Boys were taken from their homes and subjected to military regulations at the age of seven. They were compelled to wear the same single garment winter and summer. At twenty they joined the ranks and from that age till they reached sixty were required to dine at the public tables, where only a certain quantity was supplied for each man. The magistrates interfered in absurdly small matters. They regulated the degree of fatness to which it was lawful for any citizen to extend his body.

Those who dared to grow too fat or too soft for military service and exercise were sometimes soundly flogged. Aelian in his history relates that Naucris, son of Polytus, was brought before the ephors (magistrates) and the whole assembly of Sparta, and "his unlawful fatness" was publicly exposed, and he was threatened with perpetual banishment if he did not bring his body within the regular Spartan compass and give up the culpable mode of living, which was declared to be more worthy of an Ionian than a Spartan.

Clock and Watch Freaks.

"A watch isn't exactly dirty when it requires cleaning," says a watchmaker. "It may need cleaning when it hasn't even been worn."

"A common cause of this is that the oil in the works has dried up and become sticky, causing the watch to go slow or even to stop. In this case it not only wants cleaning, but also the addition of fresh oil."

"The best oil for this purpose is obtained from the jawbone of a porpoise or kindred fish. Many watchmakers mix their own oil from various kinds."

"Clocks also stop for no apparent reason. During a thunderstorm, for instance, a clock may stop, only resuming work when minutes, days or even weeks have passed."

"Thunderstorms, again, have been responsible for the restarting of old clocks which have apparently retired altogether from active service." —London Answers.

Brides and Wet Weather.

A Breton bride rather likes to have a wet wedding. It is held to signify that all her tears are now shed and that she will therefore have a happy married life. I know of no similar belief in the British Isles.

The Ezra of Simbirsk call the day before the wedding the weeping day, and the bride and her girl friends weep all they can, with the idea, it would seem, of getting the mourning of life over so that only joy may remain.

The Badagas of the Nilgierries attain the same end by sousing the bride with water. Some Greek tribes have a similar belief in the virtue of a drenching bringing good fortune.

The Omnipresent Rose.

Every continent on the globe, with the exception of Australia, produces wild roses. There can be little doubt that the rose is one of the oldest flowers in the world, perhaps grown from the wind blown seeds in paradise. In Egypt it is depicted on numbers of early bas-reliefs, dating from 3000 to 3500 B. C. Rosewater, or the essence of roses, is mentioned by Homer in the "Iliad," and the flower is spoken of in the Proverbs of Solomon.

Truthful Cholly.

"Cholly, have you ever loved before?"

"My dear girl, I will be honest with you. I have been engaged so many times that my ex-fiances have perfected an organization and adopted a yell." —St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Must Have Been a Prize.

"But how could you tell, darling, that I had never proposed to any other girl?"

"Because you were not married, the innumerable rapturously and admiringly.—Judge."

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LOCAL EDITORIAL COLUMN.

THE SUPERVISOR CONTESTS.

The supervisor contests in the three townships that elect this fall are already in full swing. All three incumbents are out for re-election—two on the democratic side, and one republican. The board may now be said to be democratic in politics, owing to the recent flop of John Strohm from an independent squarely into the Bourbon fold. Whether this acrobatic feat will strengthen the local democracy as it was designed to do, or help the erstwhile independent to re-election on his new-found political alliance, remains to be seen. Generally speaking, voters have little use for politicians of the wobbly sort, particularly when the wobbling spirit is engendered by a desire to get or keep in office. It is a fair inference that the democratic candidate will be expected, if elected, to do something in return for the party nomination, and the conclusion in this regard is that he will stand in with the democratic clique to which he owes his nomination. This in itself should be distasteful enough to the voters to cause them to go over to the other side. Public sentiment is in favor of the overthrow of ring domination. Regardless of the individual qualifications of the candidates, this is the real issue in the local campaign. "Shall the people rule" is the vital question that appeals to every citizen at this time. Let us have a change in the complexion of the board. It is plain to be seen that every nomination on the part of the democracy aims at the perpetuation of the existing clique. It behoves the people to smash the slate, by casting their ballots against those candidates whose election means merely the continuance of the present discredited administration.

In Jackson the supervisor fight is between the dealer in ice (Strohm) and the dealer in lightning (Burrow). Strohm is the manufacturer and dispenser of ice, while Burrow is the local manager of the electric light company, a dispenser of fire in its most potent form. In a contest between these two forces, lightning ought to have a decided advantage.

According to reports Wes. Amick is making a very determined effort for reelection as supervisor in township two, with excellent prospects of landing a winner. He understands the business of vote-getting to a dot. The voters are settling down to the conviction that there is nothing to be gained by a change of representatives. It would doubtless mean a bracing up of the reigning coterie, and the voters certainly ought to be averse to doing anything tending in that direction.

There never was a presidential campaign in which the candidates themselves indulged in so much criticism of each other through the newspapers as the present. The average voter is bewildered in the maze of charges and counter charges. And with it all there is an apathetic feeling among the masses which is unaccountable, except on the theory that no new vital issue is involved to awaken enthusiasm. It takes ideas freighted in the public mind with weal or woe to the nation to move men to enthusiastic participation in a national canvass. The only live issue is the tariff. This has been threshed over so often that voters have made up their minds concerning it. Taft is on that side which has never failed to bring prosperity. Democratic tariff fixing has never failed to bring distress and business depression. On this historical record Taft should prove an easy winner.

Proposed Legislation Outlined.

At the recent session of the county and city school superintendents held at Tahoe Tavern, Nevada county, a committee on ways and means was appointed consisting of Prof. Mark Keppel, of Los Angeles, Prof. Wilson of El Dorado, and Prof. H. A. Adrian of Santa Barbara, who have outlined the following proposed legislation:

Superintendent of Schools.—To provide for election of supts. for four years by all districts having 20 or more teachers regularly employed.

Union of Districts.—To provide for union of districts for supervision.

Valuation of School Property.—To provide that assessor shall value school property and report to superintendent by the first of June.

Veto Power Vested in Superintendents.—To provide that teachers shall be selected by trustees and by board of education and then submitted to county supt. Teachers to whom he objects shall be elected only by unanimous vote of board.

School Census.—To provide for biennial census in even numbered years. For other numbered years increase or decrease funds in proportion to increase or decrease in average daily attendance of preceding school year. To give county supts. power to appoint census marshal when trustees fail. To give state supts. power to approve or reject county census and have same retaken at expense of the county. To require names of heads of families listed to be arranged alphabetically. To require street number and P. O. address on filed blanks.

To require verification of filed slip by signature of parent or guardian or one of children enumerated.

Appointment.—To require that \$700 be apportioned to first teacher in district; other teachers \$550 as now.

Bids.—That trustees and boards of education shall advertise for bids of \$500 or more and accept the lowest responsible bidder. Boards of supervisors must sell short bonds and advertise same for two weeks.

Health.—Relieve schools of duty of enforcing vaccination laws.

County Boards.—To abolish county boards and delegate their powers to school supts. except in case of county high schools, where supt. shall choose the board of three members.

Reports.—To withhold salary of teacher and city supt. till report is filed and accepted.

County High School.—Authorize county boards to build and repair high school buildings.

Amend Constitution on Taxation.—To give county superintendent sole power to fix amount to be raised, boards of education sole power to raise money for high school and trustees sole power to raise district tax. To demand the retention of poll tax.

High School Tax.—Increase high school state tax to three cents and require all high schools where the average daily attendance is 200 or more to have 6-year course of study.

Provide a law that all graduates of high schools on four-year course of study or more, shall be eligible to entrance to state university without further examination.

To provide a law that the holding of teachers' examinations be made optional in the counties.

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FROM UNRECOGNIZED HEROES

By Joaquin Miller.

And what for the man who went forth

for the right,

Was bit in the battle and shorn of

a limb?

Why honor for him who falls in the

fight,

Falls wounded of limb and crippled

for life;

Give honor, give glory, give pensions

for him,

Give bread and give shelter for

babes and for wife.

But what of the hero who battles

alone,

In battles of thought where God set

him down.

Who fought all alone and who fell

overthrown?

I tell you 'twere better to cherish

that soul—

That soldier who battles with thought

for a sword,

That climbs the steep ramparts

where wrong has control,

And falls beaten back by the rude

trampling horde.

Ah, better to cherish his words and

his worth,

Than all the Napoleons that people

the earth.

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—OF—

Public Administrator of Amador County.

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To the Honorable R. C. Rust, Judge of the Superior Court of Amador

county, California:

The undersigned, the Public Administrator of Amador county, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1736 of the Code of Civil Procedure of the State of California, hereby makes to the Superior Court of Amador county, under oath, return of all the estates of decedents which have come into his hands since said last return, the value of each estate according to the Inventory and Appraisement thereof, the money which has come into his hands, from every such estate and what he has done with it, and the amount of his fees incurred in each estate and the balance, if any, in each such estate remaining in his hands.

H. E. POTTER.

Name of Decedent	Appraised Value of Estate	Cash Received	Ex. of Administra-tion, Debts, etc.	Balance on hand...	Adm'r's Fees...
E. B. O'Neill	\$133	\$154.01	None	\$10.75	Settled
D. Martinetti	100	100	"	7	"
D. Skero	76.75	76.75	76.75	5.35	"
Pedy Buzolic	72.50	72.50	72.50	5	"
Luigi Nana	46.50	46.50	46.50	3.25	"
James P. Drew	81.50	81.50	81.50	5.70	"
V. Mazzetti	65	65	65	4.25	"
O. Zanzucci	809.43	809	438.85	370.15	56.60 Unsettled
Mary Thomsen	950.05	844.05	844.05	59.10	Settled
Joseph Manley	No appraisement	62.25	11.65	50.60	Unsettled
O. Zanetti	99.92	99.92	11.50	88.42	"
John Voss	No appraisement	55.40	6	49.40	"
Nick Sky	58.32	85.17	6	79.17	"
John Brzakovich	118.76	118.76	6	112.76	"
John Mullon	1310.00	305.00	161.60	143.40	"
Ann E. Trelease	No appraisement	Nothing rec'd	Nothing paid	Nothing paid	Unsettled

State of California ss.

County of Amador,

H. E. Potter, the Public Administrator of Amador county, after being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I was during all the times mentioned in the foregoing statement the duly elected, qualified and acting public administrator of Amador county; have read the foregoing return made on this day by me to the Superior Court of Amador county, and know the contents thereof, and say upon my oath, that the same is true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of August, 1908.

(Seal) M. L. SMITH,
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